### FLOODING | EARL SOHAM VILLAGE FÊTE | VILLAGE HALL CROWDFUNDING

#### UPDATES

Following flooding caused by Storm Babet last October, the Parish Council has been assessing the condition of watercourses throughout the village and planning remedial action. Work will commence soon to dredge key hotspots where the depth of watercourses has been reduced by silt and debris travelling downstream. Ideally works will take place this summer, before further inclement weather during the autumn and winter months.

#### WATER PUMP

A replacement pump has been commissioned and a water pump will be returned to the Village Green in the coming months.

#### **ES COMMUNITY WHATSAPP**

As a reminder, the group is restricted to villagers and is for passing important information only. To join please use the QR code:





#### THE TENNIS COURT

You may have noticed that the village Tennis Court has recently been rejuvenated with a new playing surface, new nets and posts, in perfect time for the summer season! Contact Mary Patterson 01728 685362 to join a sociable Tennis Club open to all levels of play, with new members especially welcome. Adult membership £30, Juniors £10 and the popular family membership £50.

#### PARISH COUNCILLORS

Officers: Thomas Johnson (Chair). Tony Carr (Vice-Chair) Councillors: Andrew Patterson. Peter Russell. Candida Cook, Alec Edwards, Charlotte Peacher, Peter Beckwith,. Comments, questions or issues can be raised by contacting Parish Clerk, Guy Harvey: clerk@earlsoham.org or indeed by attending a PC meeting (First Thursday evening bi-monthly - agenda posted on the Village Noticeboard and the PC website: www.earlsoham.org)

#### **COUNCILLOR VACANCY:**

Should you be interested in becoming a Parish Councillor please contact the Clerk by email at clerk@earlsoham.org



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#### EARL SOHAM FÊTE

SATURDAY AUGUST 2-4.30pm Join friends and family at the Village Green for delicious Afternoon Tea with homemade cakes, traditional games, stalls and competitions. Books Jams . Plants . Music . Pick your team for a Tug-O'-War or take a genteel ride through the gardens of Rookery Farm on a vintage miniature railway, back in action for 2024 ! Proceeds support St. Mary's Church Fabric Fund.

#### **GREEN SPOT**



Listen carefully and you will hear a Turtle Dove in the field hedgerow behind the school. The Turtle Dove's gentle purr is an evocative sound of summer, but has become increasingly rare following rapid and sustained population declines. https://www.rspb.org.uk/birdsand-wildlife/turtle-dove

# John Hutton . Butcher, delicatessen & shop.

The Parish Council wishes to recognise the invaluable service delivered to our village community by John Hutton over the past 40 years. From locally-sourced meat and award-winning sausages to sourdough loaves, freshlybrewed coffee and panini served al fresco, John Hutton's reflects both traditional and modern tastes, in a shop packed with style. John and his excellent team have served us with a smile though both good and challenging times. Thank you John.

#### EARL SOHAM VILLAGE HALL - 90 YEARS !

Serving the community since 1934

This year our lovely vintage Village Hall celebrates 90 years of hosting community events. Dances, receptions, plays, meetings, elections..and more. Central to village life during the tenure of twenty Prime Ministers and the reign of five monarchs... most recently celebrating the Platinum Jubilee of Elizabeth II and the Coronation of Charles III. Moving into a Centenary decade a bright future lies ahead. With Wi-Fi, Broadband and a new website we enter the modern world: www.earlsohamvillagehall.org Sensitive renovation of the original building is underway and fund-raising plans in place for an eco-friendly sustainable heating system and replacement replica external doors crafted by local joiner, Stuart Gooderham. Applying for grants and seeking donations is the task ahead. Café-in-the-Kitchen is proving a popular and successful fundraising initiative and community hub, This summer, we are creating a new fundraising page CROWDFUNDER: Target £30.000 LIVE BY 31st JULY

Funding for Infrared heating . Three sets of external doors. https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/earl-soham-village-hall-304743

## THIS WILL GO LIVE SHORTLY AND BE ANNOUNCED ON THE COMMUNITY WHATSAPP AND WEBSITE

#### PLEASE HELP...EVERY LITTLE PENNY COUNTS.. JUST A SMALL DONATION WILL MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE

Earl Soham Village Hall Renovation Fund: please contact earlsohamvillagehall@gmail.com if you would like more information and updates on progress, wish to donate or join our Volunteer Team. Charity No.304743 (ESVH)

